

Kentucky Board of Podiatry

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PRACTICE OF PODIATRY IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

REQUIRMENTS

Applicants for licensure to practice podiatric medicine in Kentucky must be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, of good moral character and temperate habit and shall have completed the course in and graduated from a school of podiatric medicine approved by the Board.

PODIATRY DEFINED IN KENTUCKY

Podiatry is that profession of the health sciences which deals with the examination, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease, conditions and malfunctions affecting the human foot and its related governing structures by employment of medical, surgical or other means. A podiatrist is a physician and surgeon who has graduated from a college of podiatric medicine accredited by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association or approved by the state licensing Boards.

RECIPROCITY

The Commonwealth of Kentucky has no reciprocal agreement for licensure or state or national examination with any other State, Commonwealth or National organization.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

National Board Part III (PMLEXIS) is required. The board no longer gives it's own academic examination. There is a short exam concerning Kentucky Podiatry Statutes and Regulations and general medical ethics. This is included in the application packet. An interview is required with the board at one of the scheduled meetings.

LICENSE RENEWAL

Licenses are renewed annually on July 1 by payment of fees and compliance with continuing medical education requirements..

SURGICAL PRIVILEGE

Kentucky has areas that have hospitals and outpatient centers that grant privileges to podiatric physicians.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

Most insurance companies in Kentucky cover services provided by a podiatrist. There are a few exceptions.

If you wish to obtain a license to practice podiatry in Kentucky and sit for the licensure examination, **send a letter immediately conveying your desire to do so and state that you understand the requirements listed on the page entitled, " KENTUCKY PODIATRY LICENSE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS".** Then complete the application and get all the associated material to the board as soon as possible.